Minutes of the <u>Regular Work Session</u> of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee Tuesday, January 21, 2014, 4:00 PM Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis Phillips Alderman John Clark (arrived at 3:05 p.m.) Alderman Colette George Vice-Mayor Mike McIntire Alderman Tom C. Parham Alderman Tom Segelhorst Alderman Jantry Shupe

City Administration

John G. Campbell, City Manager J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:00 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.

2. ROLL CALL: By City Recorder Demming.

- 3. WELLMONT PRESENTATION. Mr. Tim Attebery, Interim President for Holston Valley Medical Center gave information on this item, stating a process has begun for assessing strategic options for the future of Wellmont. He pointed out this was an exploratory process and will take time, but promised communication and transparency. He discussed the challenges for the health system and how to adapt with a vision process. Mr. Attebery answered questions from the board and there was some discussion.
- 4. AQUATIC CENTER FINANCIALS. Assistant to the City Manager Chris McCartt gave information on this item, offering a snapshot of the revenues and expenditures at the Aquatic Center in the first eight months of operation. He provided details on the operating costs, current programming and opportunities available moving forward. He answered questions from the board and there was some discussion. Mayor Phillips asked staff to get an estimate to pave 100 more parking spaces.
- **5. KINGSPORT EMPLOYEE WELLNESS PRESENTATION.** Risk Manager Terri Evans presented this item, pointing out a 50% savings in the Care Here program over Humana insurance. The savings were generated from generic prescription dispensation at the clinic, as well as primary care, special care, labs and less emergency room visits. She also noted the advantage of less time per visit savings at the clinic.
- **6. WORK SESSION TICKLER.** No items from the tickler were discussed.
- 7. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE JANUARY 21, 2014 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA. City Manager Campbell, members of staff and community members provided a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:

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- VI.B.1 Consideration of a Resolution Awarding the Bid for Double Springs Tank Replacement Project and a Budget Ordinance Appropriating Available Funds for the Project and Authorize the Mayor to Sign All Applicable Documents (AF: 12-2014). City Manager Campbell provided information on this item, noting the location and the need for a bigger tank to accommodate future growth.
- VI.D.1 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Purchase Order to Dell for the Purchase of Laptops for Administrators and Students for the School System (AF: 313-2013). City Manager Campbell stated this was the last item of a new technology initiative by the school system which is required by the state for testing purposes.
- VI.D.2 Consideration of a Resolution Awarding the Bid for the Purchase of One (1) Backhoe to ASC Construction Equipment USA, Inc. (AF: 13-2014). City Manager Campbell noted the low bid in a very competitive bidding situation.
- VI.D.3 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Amendment Number Two (Contract Time Extension) to the Grant Contract from the State of Tennessee, Department of General Services for Department of Transportation for the Provision of the Design and Installation of Waterline to the I-26 Kingsport Welcome Center (AF: 09-2014). City Manager Campbell explained the deadline extension for the water line at the Welcome Center. Public Works Director Ryan McReynolds provided further details. Mayor Phillips pointed out this project is being completed by the State of Tennessee and not the City of Kingsport.
- VI.D.6 Consideration of a Resolution Approving Agreements with the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation to Receive Federal Transit Administration Section 5303 Planning Funds for Fiscal Year 2014 (AF: 14-2014). City Manager Campbell noted this item concerned a section of Scott County that is within the MPO.
- VI.D.8 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing a Property Swap Agreement for Property Located at 1113 Konnarock Road with Associated Proposed Leases and Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Agreement and Sign All Applicable Documents (AF: 11-2014). City Manager Campbell noted this item has already been approved, pointing out the other party prefers a warranty deed to a quitclaim deed.
- VI.D.9 Consideration of a Resolution to Offer a Limited Retirement Incentive to Eligible Employees (AF: 16-2014). City Manager Campbell stated this is similar to what has been done in the past, offering health insurance to retirees at five percent over the rate of current employees. Mayor Phillips stated he had received a request from Alderman Segelhorst to defer this item, listing several questions and concerns Mr. Segelhorst had.

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VII.4 Consideration and Approval of Issuance of Certificates of Compliance for Businesses to Sell Retail Alcoholic Beverages (AF: 01-2014). City Recorder Demming explained the process for issuing liquor store permits. City Attorney Billingsley confirmed the city is at its limit for stores in regards to population.

BOARD COMMENT. None.

PUBLIC COMMENT. None.

Deputy City

8. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session,

Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 5:25 p.m.

DENNIS R. PHILLIPS

Mayor